

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
BEFORE THE RHODE ISLAND ETHICS COMMISSION**

**In re: David Lussier,  
Respondent**

**Complaint No. 2019-10**

**ORDER**

This matter having been heard before the Rhode Island Ethics Commission on July 16, 2019, pursuant to 520-RICR-00-00-3.16 Informal Disposition (1011), and the Commission having considered the Complaint herein, the arguments of the parties, and the proposed Information Resolution and Settlement, which is incorporated by reference herein, it is hereby

**ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED**

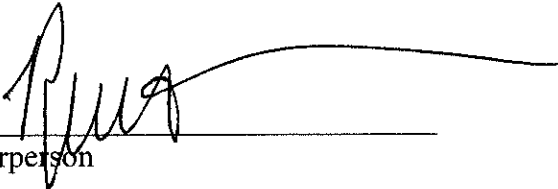
THAT, the Commission approves the Informal Resolution and Settlement as submitted;

THAT, the Commission incorporates by reference herein the Findings of Fact and Admissions, and the Conclusions of Law, set forth in the Informal Resolution and Settlement;

THAT, on his 2018 Statement filed with the Commission, the Respondent failed to disclose his position as a Director of the Buttonwood Beach Association, as required by R.I. Gen. Laws § 36-14-17(b)(6) and Commission Regulation 520-RICR-00-00-4.5 Executive Positions (36-14-17002).

THAT, the Respondent is ordered to pay a civil penalty in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

ENTERED as an Order of this Commission,

  
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Chairperson

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**INFORMAL RESOLUTION AND SETTLEMENT**

The Respondent, David Lussier, and the Rhode Island Ethics Commission ("Commission") hereby agree to a resolution of the above-referenced matter as follows:

**I. FINDINGS OF FACT & ADMISSIONS**

1. The Respondent was elected to the Buttonwoods Fire District ("Fire District") on June 27, 2018 and served for one year until June 25, 2019.

2. In his private capacity, the Respondent serves on the Board of Directors of the Buttonwood Beach Association ("BBA"), a for-profit Rhode Island corporation whose purpose is to maintain the common areas of Buttonwoods Beach Historic District for the use of its residents.

3. The Respondent failed to disclose his position as a Director of the BBA on his 2018 Financial Disclosure Statement ("2018 Statement") filed with the Commission on March 14, 2019, pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 36-14-16.

4. In the interest of full compliance, the Respondent presented to the Commission's office on July 3, 2019, for the following: (1) to amend his 2018 Statement to disclose his position as a Director of the BBA; (2) to review with the Prosecution each question on his 2018 Statement, resulting in the disclosure of his position on the Board of Directors of the Electrical League of Rhode Island; and (3) to file his 2017 Statement, as required by § 36-14-17(a).

**II. CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

1. As a member of the Fire District, a municipal elected position, the Respondent was

subject to the financial disclosure mandate of R.I. Gen. Laws § 36-14-16.

2. On his 2018 Statement filed with the Commission pursuant to § 36-14-16, the Respondent failed to disclose his position as a Director of the BBA, as required by § 36-14-17(b)(6) and Commission Regulation 520-RICR-00-00-4.5 Executive Positions (36-14-17002).

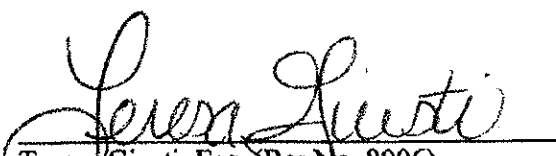
### III. SETTLEMENT


Pursuant to the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Respondent and the Commission Prosecutor agree, subject to the approval of the Rhode Island Ethics Commission pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 36-14-13(d) and 520-RICR-00-00-3.16 Informal Disposition (1011), to the following:

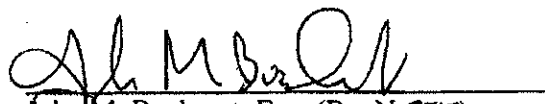
1. The Commission shall enter an Order and Judgment that the Respondent failed to disclose his position as a Director of the Buttonwood Beach Association on his 2018 Financial Disclosure Statement.

2. The Respondent further agrees that, pursuant to the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Prosecution will recommend the imposition of a \$100 civil penalty.

3. The above terms represent the full and complete Informal Resolution and Settlement for Complaint No. 2019-10.

  
Teresa Giusti, Esq. (Bar No. 8006)  
Commission Prosecutor  
Dated: 7/11/19

  
David Lussier  
Respondent  
Dated: 7/11/19

  
John M. Boehnert, Esq. (Bar No. 2515)  
Respondent's Counsel  
Dated: 7/11/19